[MR. M. K. Nilakantan.]

(*c*) whether the Government are aware of the fact that the tank is the only resort for the bath of the people at Adoor, and that the tank serves the irrigation purpose of about 2,000 paras of paddy fields lying to the south of it?

DEWAN BEHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) Yes, an estamite has been prepared

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

Field Offjicers and Warden in Field under Uplift Department.

119 * **MR. BRAHMAPURAM P. YESUDIAN** *(Nominated)*: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the appointments of three more field officers proposed to be made to assist the Protector of Backward Communities have been effected;

(*b*) if so, whether they were selected from among the backward communities;

(*c*) whether they have received any representations for the appointment of clerks to assist the field officers and also to be in charge of the offices while they are absent at their headquarters either on leave or on circuit;

(*d*) whether they are aware of the fact that the residence and office of the field officers are housed in one and the same building;

(*e*) whether they are aware of the fact that there are considerable inconveniences to the members of the backward communities in having the office and residence of the field officers in one and the same building;

(*f*) whether they have received any representations proposing that the field officers should be given status and powers like that of a Tahsildar; and

(*g*) if so, what action has been taken by them in the matter?

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) No.

(*b*) In the light of the above the question does not arise.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) Does not arise.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTAN: May I know the amount estimated and the time involved?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: The amount is Rs.2,950. The estimate has not yet reached the Executive Engineer from the Sub Division Officer. I am sending him a reminder.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTAN: Is it a new one or one long pending?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: No, Sir. The estimate has been called for. The Executive Engineer in his recent reply has stated that it has not been received from the Sub Division Officer.

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MR. M. K. NILAKANTAN: Sir, to a question asked by me in this House the answer given was that an estimate has been received and that it is awaiting your inspection. You had then stated that because the estimate looked funny you wanted to go through it?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Some time about January an estimate, according to the Executive Engineer, was received by him.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTAN: May I know whether the work will be taken up immediately?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Yes, Sir. In Chingom 1119.

Payment of compensation to the lands acquired at Perunna.

120. *MR. K. T. MICHAEL (*Changanacherry* cum *Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether compensation has been paid to all owners of lands acquired at Perunna; and

(*b*) if not, to how many holders compensation has been paid and why it was not paid to the rest?

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: (*a*) To no one.

(*b*) The question does not arise.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: With reference to the answer to part (*a*) may I ask whether the Government considers it fair and just that those whose lands have been acquired should go without compensation?

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: The parties were given notice to come and accept compensation, but they have not done so and therefore Government could not pay the compensation.

Acquisition of lands for the N. S. S. under emergency rules in Perunna in Changanacherry.

121. *MR. K. T. MICHAEL: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the extent of land acquired for the use of the N. S. S. at Perunna;

(*b*) the extent of land they already had for the use of the High School before the new acquisition;

(*c*) the special circumstances that led to the recent acquisition; and

(*d*) the special use intended to be served by the narrow strip of land lying west of the M. C. Road?

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: (*a*) 17 acres and 57 1/2 cents.

(*b*) 7 acres and 59 cents.

(*c*) The proposal to start a College under the management of the N. S. S.

(*d*) The specific use of each particular portion of the plot cannot be stated before the final lay-out is submitted by the management.

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